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Gus Bode says sometimes
you just have to move on.



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Rain dampens Spring Fest turnout, but not spirits



Brett Haynes, of Lemont, and Hannah Streicher, of Kankakee, enjoy an outdoor concert Saturday at Spring Fest in Makanda. Both said they were visiting friends in Carbondale and attending the festival for the first time.

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Brittany Hughes found art in the middle of nowhere.

The senior from Mount Vernon studying speech communication made her discovery this weekend at the annual Spring Fest, a gathering of

the artists, musicians and free spirits in the town of Makanda, located roughly eight miles south of Carbondale.

Jan York, who lives in Alto Pass and helps plan Makanda's yearly festivals, said she has had people from all over the world tell her the town has a unique draw. She said she thinks it is the spirit of the people that makes the community stand out.

"It's kind of free," she said. "It's not tense at all. It's the complete opposite of the city."

David Dardis, the owner of Rainmaker, a jewelry and craft shop on the boardwalk, says he has been a part of Spring Fest since day one. It began almost 25 years ago when the mayor suggested the town hold a festival to showcase its many artists

and craftsman, he said, and it has been an annual event ever since.

Dardis said one of the drawing points is the music. Twelve bands performed this weekend, and Dardis said one of them, the SilverTongueDevils, is set to open for Willie Nelson this summer.

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Missing girl found at Carbondale residence

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Police found a 17-year-old girl this weekend after she had been missing for nearly a week, said Sgt. Dave Youngberg of the Jackson County Sheriff's Department.

Youngberg said Lyndzee Wright, 17, of Danville, was found by an employee with the Center for Comprehensive Services.

The girl was found around 10 p.m. Saturday, Youngberg said.

Youngberg said Wright left CCS April 27.

He said the CCS employee called the Carbondale Police Department, who recovered the girl at the residence.

Wright was receiving treatment for a brain injury at a rehabilitation facility, police said, though they did not confirm whether she was a resident at CCS.

CCS offers multiple rehabilitation services and support to assist those who have brain injuries.

Youngberg said Wright was not hurt and in good condition when she was found.

Youngberg said it was unclear why Wright escaped from CCS.

"She said she didn't know why she left," he said.

University stops travel to Mexico

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The university is suspending all SIUC sanctioned travel to Mexico after the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued a travel health warning which advised all American citizens to avoid the country.

The Department of State alerted U.S. citizens of the health risks of traveling to Mexico because of an outbreak of the H1N1 influenza (swine flu).

According to the Washington Post, the number of positive swine flu cases in Mexico continues to rise, and the country now has 506 positive cases of the disease, including 19 deaths. The outbreak has reached 23 of the 32 Mexican states, the report said.

The travel sanction, which was issued via e-mail through SIU webmail accounts, was sent out Friday and said the provision would be restored as soon as safety allows.

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Detectives get state award for cold case work

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As president of the Illinois State Bar Association, Jack Carey regularly honors those devoted to law enforcement.

But for two Carbondale detectives, Carey said he felt a personal bond.

Carey presented Carbondale Police Department detectives Sgt. Mike Osifcin and Lt. Paul Echols with the association's Law Enforcement Award Friday for the duo's work in cracking several cold case murders linked to former SIUC student Timothy Krajcir.

Krajcir admitted in December 2007 to nine murders over two decades. Victims included former SIUC student Deborah Sheppard, who was killed in a Carbondale apartment in 1982, and Margie Call, the late aunt of Carey's wife who was also killed in 1982.

By watching his wife's reaction after Krajcir admitted killings to



From left, Lt. Paul Echols, Jackson County Bar Association member Casey Parker, and retired Sgt. Mike Osifcin listen as Illinois Bar Association president Jack C. Carey, not pictured, honors the officers with the association's Law Enforcement Award.

BRANDON CHAPPLE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Osifcin and Echols, Carey said he saw the effects of the detectives' hard work.

"She got a phone call that said, 'We think we found the person that murdered your aunt.' She levitated, I'm

telling you," Carey said to the detectives after presenting their awards.

Echols and Osifcin helped solve the Sheppard cold case through DNA evidence and interviews with Krajcir. When they


interviewed Krajcir while he was serving time for another crime at the Shawnee Correctional Center, Krajcir first denied involvement.

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Jackson says NAACP must help save auto industry

"The cause of the workers is a moral cause," he said. "It's time for a righteous rebellion, civil disobedience."

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He said the two detectives'

The Student Health Center has created posters about cough etiquette and hand washing for use in buildings across campus, according to an e-mail sent out by the SIUC Department of Public Safety. And while no cases of the flu have been reported on campus, hand sanitizers and facial tissue will be available at all commencement

Additional information about the H1N1 virus can be found on the CDC Web site at <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/>.

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Library's first-floor to stay open longer for finals week

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Students hoping to catch an early start on studying for finals were met with an unpleasant welcome at Morris Library Sunday.

Roughly 15 students waited nearly an hour, as the library's doors didn't open until 1 p.m. Unable to enter, Kathryn Snell and Leigh Dodd started reviewing notes before their final exam in the building's entrance area.

"I don't study here, but we just thought we'd get a group together," said Snell, a senior from Chicago studying art. "It seems that on the Sunday before finals it would be open."

Dodd, a sophomore from Riverton studying art, said she wanted to study in the recently rededicated library because it is quieter than most other parts of campus.

While the upper floors will remain on their regular schedule, the library's first floor, except the special collections section, will stay open until 3 a.m. this week, according to announcements posted throughout the building.

The building will open at 7:30 a.m., but upper floors will be closed after 1 a.m.

Computer terminals, printing stations and sitting areas on the first floor will remain open, according to the fliers.

Within an hour after the library opened at 1 p.m. Sunday, students flocked to computers. Many spread out notes and textbooks across tables in the usually vacant study group rooms.

This is the first finals week for the library since its rededication on April 16 that marked the completion of most renovation efforts there.

Though the first-floor hours were extended for this week, the library will not be open 24 hours during finals week like years past while construction was underway.

Marcus Holtz, a senior from Danville studying finance, said he has had trouble finding certain materials in the library since the renovation. On Sunday, he was unable to find the books on reserve, he said.

"The only difference is I walk into the front entrance instead of the rear," he said.



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Nassr Alnajrani, a junior from Saudi Arabia studying information systems technology, and Faisal Ben Fehri, a junior from Tunisia studying computer engineering, take a break from studying to chat Sunday in Morris Library. "It is a good atmosphere to study in," said Alnajrani, who was studying for a final exam. Morris Library announced extended hours for finals week, staying open until 3 a.m. today through Wednesday.

His sister, Allison Holtz, a senior studying plant and soil science, said her Sunday at the library began with lunch in the first-floor café before heading to the floors above to find the required materials for her classes.

Allison Holtz said she did not take advantage of finals-related activities on campus, such as supplemental instruction courses and extended hours at the dining halls because she was unaware they were taking place.

Morris Library hours for finals week

Monday-Wednesday

Thursday

First Floor: 7:30 a.m. until 3 a.m.

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New swine flu cases reported across the globe

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THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEXICO CITY — The swine flu epidemic spread deeper into the United States, Europe and Latin America — and in Canada, back to pigs — even as Mexico’s health chief hinted Sunday it may soon be time to reopen businesses and schools in the nation where the outbreak likely began.

The virus spread to Colombia in the first confirmed case in South America, worrisome because flu season is about to begin in the Southern Hemisphere. More cases were confirmed in Europe and North America; the World Health Organization said at least 787 people have been sickened worldwide.

Dr. Richard Besser, acting chief of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said swine flu is spreading just as easily as regular winter flu, with 226 confirmed cases in 30 U.S. states.

“The good news is when we look at this virus right now, we’re not seeing some of the things in the virus that have been associated in the past with more severe flu,” Besser said. “That’s encouraging, but it doesn’t mean we’re out of the woods yet.”

Mexican Health Secretary Jose Angel Cordova said the virus that has killed 19 people in Mexico and sickened at least 506 apparently peaked here between April 23 and April 28. A drastic nationwide shutdown appears to have helped prevent the outbreak from becoming more serious, he said.

“The evolution of the epidemic



AMY BETH BENNETT | McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

Patients, employees and visitors to Joe DiMaggio Children’s Hospital don masks in front of the emergency entrance on Friday in Hollywood, Fla.

is now in its declining phase,” Cordova declared.

He said officials would decide Monday whether to extend the shutdown or allow schools and businesses to reopen on Wednesday.

Pablo Kuri, an epidemiologist advising Cordova, told The

Associated Press on Sunday that tests have confirmed a swine flu death in Mexico City on April 11, two days earlier than what had been believed to be the first death.

He also said there have been no deaths among health care workers treating swine flu patients in Mexico,

an indication that the virus may not be as contagious or virulent as initially feared.

The closed events made for a surreal Sunday in Mexico, as parishioners celebrated Mass via television, camera operators were the only ones in stadium bleachers and

parks, museums, restaurants, theaters and other attractions were closed.

Sunday also marked the official start of campaigning for July 5 congressional elections — but all public campaigning was banned to prevent gatherings where the virus could spread.

For Edwards, investigation is latest stage of saga

Mike Baker
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RALEIGH, N.C. — His once-prominent political career is buried and the turmoil of his marriage is playing out in public. Now, John Edwards is facing a federal inquiry.

The two-time Democratic presidential candidate acknowledged Sunday that investigators are assessing how he spent his campaign funds — a subject that could carry his extramarital affair from the tabloids to the courtroom. Edwards’ political action committee paid more than \$100,000 for video production to the firm of the woman with whom Edwards had an affair.

The former North Carolina senator said in a carefully worded statement that he is cooperating.

“I am confident that no funds from my campaign were used improperly,” Edwards said in the statement. “However, I know that it is the role of government to ensure that this is true. We have made available to the United States both the people and the information necessary to help them get the issue resolved efficiently and in a timely matter.”

While Edwards focused his comment on campaign funds, he also had a range of other fundraising organizations — including two

nonprofits and a poverty center at his alma mater — that have come under scrutiny.

Chief among them was the PAC that paid Rielle Hunter’s company for several months in 2006 for Web videos that documented Edwards’ travels and advocacy in the months leading up to his 2008 presidential campaign. The committee also paid her firm an additional \$14,086.50 on April 1, 2007.

Edwards acknowledged the affair with Hunter last year, months after dropping his presidential bid.

At the time of the 2007 payment, the PAC only had \$7,932.95 in cash on hand, according to records filed with the Federal Election Commission. That day, according to the records, Edwards’ presidential campaign paid the PAC \$14,034.61 for what is listed as a “furniture purchase.”

Willfully converting money from a political action committee for personal use is a federal crime.

The furniture money was one of just five contributions to the political action committee between April 1 to June 30, 2007. The other four were on June 30, the last day of the reporting period, including a \$3,000 contribution from the wife of Edwards’ finance chairman, Fred Baron.

Baron, Edwards’ national finance chairman and a wealthy Dallas-based

trial attorney, said last year that he quietly began sending money to Hunter to resettle in California. He said no campaign funds were used and that Hunter was not working for the campaign when he started giving her money.

Edwards has said he was unaware of the payments. Baron died of cancer in October.

U.S. Attorney George Holding has declined to comment and said he won’t confirm or deny an investigation.

Kate Michelman, a former head of the abortion-rights group NARAL who advised the Edwards campaign, said she hopes there was no wrongdoing.

“All of us remain very saddened by what has happened to John, because he was right on the policies,” Michelman said Sunday. “It remains a very sad occurrence for all of us. It’s sad for John and Elizabeth, and this is just one more problem for them to deal with.”

Edwards, 55, powered onto the national scene in 1998, when he won a seat for the U.S. Senate in his first political campaign. With smooth speech and good looks, the former trial lawyer ran for the White House in 2004 and was tapped as Sen. John Kerry’s running mate. He returned to the campaign trail in a 2008 presidential bid but was largely overshadowed.

Senators: Next justice should have wide experience, empathy

Douglass K. Daniel
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama’s search to replace retiring Supreme Court Justice David Souter should extend beyond the current roster of federal judges, senators from both political parties said Sunday.

“I would like to see more people from outside the judicial monastery, somebody who has had some real-life experience, not just as a judge,” said Vermont Sen. Patrick Leahy, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee that will hold hearings when Obama makes his nomination.

Noting that all nine justices came directly from the federal appeals court, senators on the committee said someone with a wider breadth of experience would be a plus.

When he was discussing the qualities he would seek in Souter’s successor, Obama said last week he wanted someone with empathy for average Americans. Conservatives fear that means the president would consider “judicial activists” for the seat.

Leahy said he expects the next justice to be confirmed by the court’s new term in October and that the president will consult with lawmakers

from both parties.

“I would like to see, certainly, more women on the court. Having only one woman on the Supreme Court does not reflect the makeup of the United States. I think we should have more women. We should have more minorities,” Leahy said.

Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, a committee member who last week switched from the Republican to the Democratic Party, suggested someone in the mold of a statesman or stateswoman, and said he could imagine a nominee who was not a lawyer, if that person had the right credentials.

“I would like to see somebody with broader experience,” Specter said. “We have a very diverse country. We need more people to express a woman’s point of view or a minority point of view, Hispanic or African American ... somebody who’s done something more than wear a black robe for most of their lives.”

Obama said Friday he would nominate a person who combines “empathy and understanding” with an impeccable legal background “who understands that justice isn’t about some abstract legal theory or footnote in a case book.”

ITALY

Fiat confirms talk to create car company including Chrysler

ROME (AP) — Fiat Group SpA confirmed Sunday it was in talks to acquire General Motor’s European operations with the aim of possibly creating a new company to also include its newly acquired Chrysler automaker.

Combined, the new automaker would have €80 billion (\$105 billion) in annual revenues, Fiat said in a statement.

Fiat said it was evaluating the possible spinoff of its auto business to form the core of the new company. Fiat Group Automobiles includes the Fiat, Alfa Romeo and Ferrari brands.

PAKISTAN

Pakistan army, Taliban blaming each other threatens peace deal

ISLAMABAD (AP) — Pakistan’s army and the Taliban blamed each other Sunday for a rise in tensions that threatened to destroy a much-criticized peace deal, just days before the Pakistani president heads to Washington for talks with President Barack Obama.

The army accused militants in the Swat Valley of looting, attacking infrastructure and killing one soldier. A Taliban spokesman said militants will start patrolling Swat’s main town, and acknowledged that they cut the throats of two soldiers as revenge for the army killing two insurgents.

PANAMA

Supermarket magnate favored to win Panama’s presidential election

PANAMA CITY (AP) — A conservative supermarket magnate is favored to win presidential elections Sunday that will determine who oversees expansion of the Panama Canal, the nation’s economic engine.

Ricardo Martinelli, of the opposition Alliance for Change, had a double-digit lead in the polls over former Housing Minister Balbina Herrera of Panama’s governing coalition, which is led by the Democratic Revolutionary Party.

“I believe in God and the Panamanian people,” Herrera said at a school in the capital.

MEXICO

Swine flu virus jumps from person to pigs; impossible to track

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Now that the swine flu virus has passed from a farmworker to pigs, could it jump back to people? The question is important, because crossing species again could make it more deadly.

The never-before-seen virus was created when genes from pig, bird and human viruses mixed together inside a pig. Experts fear the virus that has gone from humans back into pigs in at least one case could mutate further before crossing back into humans again. But no one can predict what will happen.

Architecture students work with professional firm to create housing, expand Interfaith Center

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Seven students who devoted their semester to a proposed green residential housing project are eager to see their work come to fruition. The group of students brought their project further Friday when they presented their plans for the proposed Gaia House to HOK Architects in St. Louis. The firm has been working with the university's Interfaith Center for more than two years to develop an environmentally sustainable, multi-cultural housing facility to replace the center, said Robert Swenson, the students' associate professor.

In the students' fourth visit to HOK, the group discussed the Gaia project as well as proposed plans to revamp the surrounding area from Harbaugh's Café to Mill Street. The seniors focused on the Gaia House while the juniors worked on the surrounding area, Swenson said.

The group interviewed students, residents, business owners and city and university officials to present a different vision and scale for the Gaia House and the entire block, Swenson said.

Kaitlin Dorn, a junior from Arlington Heights studying architecture, said she interviewed all of the business owners in that area and found they were comfortable with the idea of development. She said setbacks could come later when the students bring prices to the business owners, including the Vermillion group, which owns the portion from China Express to the furniture store.

"If they're actually willing to spend money to develop the lot, then I can see it going further. But if they don't want to, then it's going to end here," Dorn said. "It is kind of sad. We hoped it would go further. We went into it kind of knowing we're just here for ideas and brainstorming."



Juniors Kaitlin Dorn, left, and Emily Koester move their model to the presentation table while Ryan Kopp, an architect with HOK Architects, watches. The model is of the area from Mill Street to Grand Avenue.
PROVIDED PHOTO

The students moved into the lower level of the Interfaith Center and used it as a design studio for their project, Swenson said.

This is the second year that the proposed Gaia House project has served as a learning lab for architecture and engineering students, he said.

Justin Risher, a senior from Indiana studying architecture, said working with the Interfaith Center board and meeting with HOK four times throughout the semester benefitted the overall project.

"If we were working on our project and we came up with a really good idea, we just had to walk upstairs and ask the client himself 'Would you be interested in this? Which direction would you go?'" he said. "It's just been overall an absolutely wonderful experience."

The project is on hold because the groups are struggling to resolve issues with the City of Carbondale and the university, Swenson said. The center's parking lot is city property and the center leases the property the building itself is on from the university.

"Going through the politics of creating residential units that could be in competition with the university is an issue," Swenson said.

The group is planning little to no parking to be more environmentally friendly because the center sits on the edge of campus where university and city parking already exists, Swenson said.

Dorn said the students went to Portland, Ore. and Seattle at the beginning of the semester to learn about sustainable building.

"Portland is probably the leading city for sustainable design," Dorn said.

She said she took a special interest in the sustainability of historical preservation, as did Risher. Risher has worked on using features already on the Gaia site because green technology is expensive.

"We've been looking at trying to find more ways of ... how we can use the features on the site — natural ventilation with the wind, using the orientation of the building with the sun and getting the most natural sunlight to help heat and provide task lighting people need to perform everyday tasks," Risher said.

To meet the needs suggested by the center's board of directors, HOK created a proposal for a 150-bed residential center to replace the

Interfaith Center, Swenson said.

"Everything that goes on at the Interfaith Center would go on there, too, and more," Swenson said.

The board, HOK and the students immediately realized the initial proposal was too dense and began to work on a smaller, less expensive plan, Swenson said. The students proposed a plan that includes a 70- to 80-bed residential center and would preserve the Labyrinth and Peace Garden, Swenson said.

The students make their final presentations to the Gaia House Board of Directors and the general public beginning at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Interfaith Center. Their projects will be on display at the center for several weeks beginning today.

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FEAR AND LOATHING IN CARBONDALE

When one door opens, another one closes

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I never took a journalism class in my life.

It's actually a funny story how I came to write for the DAILY EGYPTIAN. I told the Voices Editor a few years ago I thought the Voices section was the worst section in the paper and that nobody even read it. His response was something along the lines of “well if you think you can write something better, then do it.” I guess the rest is history, so to speak.

Three years and almost a hundred columns later I've reached the end of the road.

Over the years I've commented on just about everything. Some of my favorites include:

The towing companies that patrol parking lots like snakes. The family feud with Edwardsville. The ongoing Halloween debacle. Carbondale's lack of an outdoor public pool facility. The quirky roommates I had in college. The Munchie Man. What a misuse of concrete Faner Hall is. Why I think Saluki Athletics is a good marketing tool for the university. Bucket lists, wish lists and things to do throughout the city. You name it, I probably had something to say about it.

My intended audience was always the typical college student.

I was never under the illusion that I was writing for Rolling Stone or the New York Times. I wrote about things I thought normal college students would want to read about while getting a break from their tedious, stressful days on campus.

I never got paid for anything I wrote.

For some reason that really baffles people. I think I probably went into the actual DAILY EGYPTIAN office a combined six times in my life. I never looked at writing for the paper as a job but more as an opportunity to express my opinions. We all know Carbondale is full of people who have opinions. It's too bad though that many of them haven't figured out how to express their thoughts in constructive ways and still resort to childish behavior and slander to get their message across.

When I first started writing my columns for the DE, the Voices section was huge. Twice as many columnists as there are now. Editorials every day. Hordes of letters and guest columns made the wire a seldom-used tool for the editors. If you don't like what's being written, try writing something yourself. You never know what could happen and you could make the section that much better.

We all have to walk out the door sometime.

Walking out that door from college into the real world can be a scary thing for some people. I know it is for me. I encourage everyone taking the walk this week to look back at how they have changed and grown over their time in college. Sadly, some people did not change and are the same people walking out the door into life as they were walking in the door from high school. It's these people who are in for a rude awaking, but fortunately for most of you, walking out the door into life is a transition you will be ready to embrace.

In the words of one of my favorite authors, Hunter S. Thompson, “buy the ticket, take the ride.” Embrace what is ahead of you and be sure to never forget what it was like to be a Saluki.

Fruth is a graduate student in curriculum and instruction.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Proposed strengthening of conflict policy

DEAR EDITOR:

Over the last several weeks I have had the opportunity to respond to several requests from the media, including the DAILY EGYPTIAN, regarding the reasons behind a proposed conflict of interest policy that will be considered by the SIU Board of Trustees at our May 7 meeting.

The media interest has been prompted by a former SIU employee who made a formal request for information regarding certain construction firms providing services to the university. Records produced for the request indicated that several of the firms obtained liability insurance from insurance companies and my insurance agency brokered the transactions.

Included in my lengthy face-to-face interviews with the Chicago Tribune and the Southern Illinoisan was a presentation by representatives of the SIUC campus procurement office, outlining the detailed process by which competitive bid construction projects are awarded.

The process includes the Carbondale procurement office performing its own request-for-quote proposals. At no time during the process do board members participate in the procurement decision; however, the board does ratify the campus action. The board's action occurs after the low bidder has been selected through a sealed bid process required under the state's strict procurement laws. In each instance referred to in media reports, these construction firms secured the work through this sealed bid process.

In 2004, shortly after being appointed to the SIU Board or Trustees, I sought legal guidance from the university's Office of General Counsel as to the appropriateness of

voting on these award approvals. I was advised at that time that such action did not necessarily constitute a conflict of interest.

After reviewing the documents produced for the request for information, I directed the university's legal counsel to take a second look at this issue and to initiate an external legal review of the matter. Preliminary discussions with the outside counsel have resulted in a recommendation to strengthen the SIU conflict-of-interest policy to adequately address potential indirect conflicts or the appearance of such conflicts. A proposed recusal procedure would prohibit board members from voting on matters where the board member derives no personal advantage from a public contract, but could be perceived as benefiting in an indirect manner.

The policy recommendation was presented at last month's open meeting of the Board's Executive Committee and is expected to be adopted by the Board of Trustees next week.

In closing, I want to emphasize that it is of utmost importance that all businesses seeking to provide services to this university believe that a fair playing field exists. After a comprehensive review of this issue, I am confident that the recommendations the Board of Trustees will adopt this week will both ensure that what is now a fair, independent and competitive procurement process will remain so, and that any potential conflict that may arise at the board level will be recognized and acknowledged so that each member can take the necessary steps afforded in the new policy to avoid even the appearance of a conflict of interest.

Roger Tedrick
chairman of the SIU Board of Trustees

Don't make assumptions

DEAR EDITOR:

To David Siu. Let me start by saying I have no respect for you and feel your letter exudes ignorance. It is an insult to the exercise and physical fitness program at SIUC. Someone who has graduated with a degree from this program should know more about bodybuilding.

It is evident that you do not fully understand the competition of Mr. SIU and bodybuilding. As a competitor in the competition and third place in the short

class, I know competitors compete solely on an aesthetic basis. Anyone, even you, can do clean-and-jerks and 400 meter repeats — what truly is a challenge is making your body look the best it can. No other sport comes close to making the human body a replica of an anatomy chart. I don't know what inspired you to rant about a sport you have no idea about, but I have my suspicions.

Ross Tenczar
junior studying management

Why so stereotypical?

DEAR EDITOR:

Let me start by saying as an exercise science major myself and the third place competitor in Mr. SIU, I am disappointed and ashamed that someone of such ignorance and contortion could graduate with my degree. David Siu's letter clearly demonstrates his knowledge of the subject is comparable to horribly regurgitated information from textbooks and no practice.

Bodybuilding is not about your divine idea of genuine fitness, just as much as every other sport is. I appreciate the valiant effort made to crucify bodybuilding as the all-conquering sport. There is no one I respect more than one who strives and achieves in their chosen sport independent of cutting weight.

I honestly feel like I am wasting my time, but with an attempt to educate the uneducated I will explain. “Muscle & Fitness” models are not bodybuilders, they are models. Open a “Muscular Development” magazine and be welcomed to the world of bodybuilding. Bodybuilding is about giving you the opportunity to help yourself. It is about

the proper nutrition and training to achieve muscular strength, symmetry, conditioning and equilibrium. Each sport has specific skills of fitness, just as a cyclist would not train by running, bodybuilders do not train by running either. When I trained for Mr. SIU, I sprinted like a sprinter, stretched like a gymnast, lifted like a powerlifter and outperformed everyone in the Recreation Center, all on a caloric deficit.

I'm sure at least exercise science graduates understand the importance of cross training to achieve a serious, cost-efficient metabolism. What bodybuilders do in the gym applies to all activities of daily living. Please brainstorm another sport that does. I am offended by your representation of me in the College of Education in exercise science. I accept your invitation to prove you wrong. Since you have the audacity to point your finger at bodybuilders and falsely accuse them of what they never claimed, I would only expect to be competing against you, right?

Frank Reinhardt
senior studying exercise science

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The DAILY EGYPTIAN, the student-run newspaper of Southern Illinois University Carbondale, is committed to being a trusted source of news, information, commentary and public discourse, while helping readers understand the issues affecting their lives.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“ They live in a virtual world. ”

Lt. Gen. Benjamin Freakley, who says social networking sites, such as Facebook, offer another way to reach tomorrow's soldiers.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



THEIR WORD

Welcome to government motors

McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

Buckle up, taxpayers. General Motors' latest survival strategy would put you in the driver's seat. This doesn't mean you would be forced to buy Chevys, Buicks and Cadillacs on penalty of an IRS audit. It's worse than that. You would own the company.

No, it's even worse than that. You would own the company — and your government would run the company. How so?

GM says it wants to borrow another \$11.6 billion from you (on top of the \$15.4 billion you've already lent). It offers to repay less than half of the \$27 billion total by

giving you the largest stake in the company — 50 percent. How would it (you) repay the rest of those loans from ... you? GM is silent on this.

No, really, it can get even worse than that: Even with all of your investment, you would not have a free hand to transform this company into something capable of actually making money: Your partner would be the United Auto Workers union, which would own 39 percent of GM, and your supervisors in the front office and on the assembly line would be the Obama administration and the 535 members of Congress. You think they would meddle much?

Your No. 1 priority would be to

— what? Make money? Save jobs? Maintain retiree benefits? Build small, fuel-efficient cars? Repay yourself for the risk you have accepted and the money you have lent?

The answer is, all of the above.

If you think meeting so many imperatives would be an impossible task, then you understand why this is such a terrible idea.

GM's new plan speeds up the shrinking of what was once the largest automaker in the world. The Pontiac brand would disappear, and GM proposes to get rid of

Thankfully, GM's bondholders probably will sink this plan.

more dealers, plants and union jobs than it planned to ax as recently as February. But there's no guarantee this smaller company will succeed.

What if Americans don't want to buy what Government Motors is selling?

GM makes more money selling big pickup trucks and SUVs like the Chevy Silverado and the Cadillac Escalade than it does selling small, fuel-efficient models. It's developing the futuristic Chevy Volt, but that is going to be one pricey small electric car. What if Americans prefer to buy Fords or Toyotas or Hondas — or

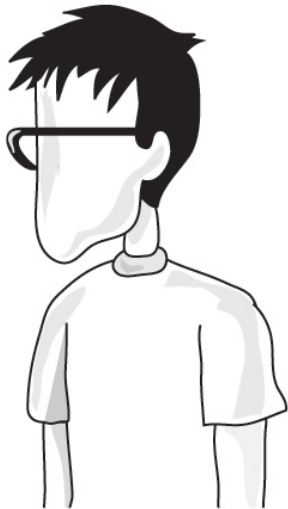
cars from a company not run by the government?

Thankfully, GM's bondholders probably will sink this plan. They're being asked to surrender \$27 billion in bond debt for a 10 percent stake in the company and they're already balking at that. Unless they agree to the plan soon, GM likely is headed for a Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing by June 1. A court would oversee reorganization of the company. That's where GM's unsustainable labor contracts and all these conflicts can, and should, be sorted out.

This editorial appeared in the Chicago Tribune on April 30.

Gus Bode says: The DE is looking for student columnists for next semester and wants you to apply. Want to make your opinion heard on a university policy? Is something important on your mind? Do something about it.

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SPRING FEST

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He said the event has grown in popularity over time, sometimes drawing more than 3,000 visitors from across the country. Artists come in from Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago to show their work, he said.

It is for the artwork and crafts that many students attend the festival.

Hughes said attending Spring Fest on Saturday was her first experience in Makanda. After purchasing a ring, she said she returned the next day with a friend.

“I think it’s great to see such an artsy place in the middle of nowhere.

— Brittany Hughes
senior from Mt. Vernon
studying speech
communication

Sara Spiegel, a senior from Sarasota, Fla., studying speech communication, came with Hughes on Sunday in search of something for Mother’s Day, but also to experience the town.

“I just wanted to get a taste of all the artwork and jewelry,” she said.

Spiegel said she loved the atmosphere of the town and was glad to see the community come together for the festival. She said it was unfortunate that not many students are aware of the town.

Hughes said she was surprised to discover Makanda’s atmosphere.

“I think it’s great to see such an artsy place in the middle of



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Gaia McVay, left, and Gena Cottrell, both of Carbondale, examine hand-beaded jewelry being sold by Nellidene Howell, of Cobden, Saturday during Spring Fest in Makanda. McVay and Cottrell both said that Spring Fest is an annual tradition with them and that they make a point of coming every year.

nowhere,” she said.

York said Makanda’s location, close to Giant City State Park, contributes to the town’s spirit.

She said this year’s event drew less of a crowd than usual because of

the weather. Although 45 vendors were scheduled to attend, she said many of the more distant ones

decided not to come when they heard that rain was likely. Saturday saw roughly 20 vendors, she said,

and on Sunday only 10 craftsmen had tables set up outside.

Despite the drawback of rain, Dardis said the event still had a good turnout. An event such as Spring Fest is unique because of

the atmosphere, he said, and would not work in another town because of uptightness.

“This town has no control,” he said. “And so it’s a great social experiment that works.”

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
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16 Italian violin maker

17 Excellent performance

19 Big name in precision blades

20 Dangerous household gas

21 Perp's excuse

23 Author Kesey

24 Winter fisherman's tool

26 Out of kilter

28 Old map letters

29 Sci. class where many an "Eeuw!" is heard

33 Germany's von Bismarck

35 Payment to an ex

36 Light bulb unit

37 "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" playwright Edward

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43 Register at the hotel

45 Spanish surrealist

46 Bill for what you drank

47 Concorde, e.g.

50 Academy trainee

52 Musical ineptitude

54 The Big Apple, initially

55 Eurasian range

59 Flourless cake

60 Conger catcher

62 Satan

64 Handles roughly

65 Showed up

66 Old Bologna bucks

67 Round trip?

68 Revue component

69 Went under

DOWN

1 Rubble

2 Newton and Stern

3 Smoothing tool

4 Science fiction awards

5 Babysitter's handful

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7 "American _"

8 Desert largely in Mongolia

9 "A stitch in time..." is one

10 Vocalist Sumac

11 Betray by bad-mouthing

12 Vouch for

13 Singer Celine

18 Lacking what it takes

22 Eater of puréed peas

25 Nintendo game system

27 Dubuque native

30 Nebraska city

31 Tryst participant

32 Put on _ : pretend

34 Tout's hangout, briefly

35 Eagle's nest

37 Say further

38 2012 is the next one

39 Angels or Dodgers

41 Be a nuisance at the card game

43 "Ten-four" speaker

44 "Krazy" comics feline

47 Belgrade's country

48 Ringed planet

49 Host who expects you to question his answer?

51 Explode

53 Carols

54 Verne captain

56 First grade basics

57 Faucet problem

58 18-wheeler

61 Connecticut Ivy Leaguer

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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 7 — Be careful; don't get impatient. There are several indications you could break something if you hurry or start throwing things around. Treat everything as if it's fragile, even stuff that's not. Like people, for example.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — It seems like everything you want is slightly too expensive. You can change what you want, but that's difficult. Instead, watch for sales. There will be killer deals.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 7 — Don't worry if others don't agree with you. They don't agree with each other, either. You might be called on to help negotiate a compromise. You should be pretty good at it, too.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is an 7 — Your work seems to be interfering with your wanderlust. It's almost a good day to travel, except for all the chores that must be done. The trip itself could be a lot of work. Better wait, if you can.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — Find a way to have fun without spending a lot and you're a happy person. You already know what the answer is to this quiz question. You've been doing it for years. Enjoy.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 7 — People will tend to be nervous now, so proceed with caution. Stick with the plans you've already made; it'll give you self-confidence. You can make changes later, after the dust has cleared.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 7 — It's good to develop new skills, of course, but it can also be awkward. There's that "difficult learning curve" issue with which to deal. Don't rush; you can't afford to buy new supplies.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is an 7 — Avoid a pushy salesperson, even if it's someone you love. You can't really afford the item, and it's better if you wait. Tell the person to check back with you Thursday.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — Breakage or a breakdown at home provides just the excuse you need. Replace something that's worn out with a better product. You might end up saving energy too, if you shop wisely.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is an 6 — The curriculum you're being taught may not be entirely true. It may not agree with your own deeply held beliefs. Don't worry, you can learn anyway. You're learning whom to trust.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 7 — Don't let friends distract you from an agreement you've made. The promise is to yourself, regarding your spending. Stop looking at being frugal as a terrible thing. Think of it as a game.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is an 7 — If you suspect the other guy's not listening, choose your words carefully. You can get your message across through your actions, too. If all else fails, just cross your legs, fold your arms and say no.

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BASEBALL

Dawgs take two from Braves



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SIU junior Tyler Bullock catches the game-ending strike April 26 to wrap up a three-game sweep against Illinois State.

SIU winners of five of its
last six conference games

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It was not always easy, but the Saluki baseball team found a way to put the cellar-dwellers away.

SIU (20-25, 8-9 in Missouri Valley Conference) took two of three from last-place Bradley (15-27, 2-13 MVC) this weekend at O'Brien Field in Peoria. The two wins put the Salukis one win from being .500 in the conference for the first time since March 28.

Associate head coach Ken Henderson said he likes what he has seen out of the team since the second half of conference started.

"It goes back to some really good weekday games we had," Henderson said. "It really helped our confidence, and we're just a different ballclub now. We're just playing better baseball."

Friday's game went down to the wire as Saluki starter, senior right-hander Adam Curynski and Bradley's right-hander Rob Scahill combined for 17 shutout innings. But while Scahill pitched a complete game, senior reliever David Kington replaced Curynski in the bottom of the ninth for SIU.

Two batters later, it was over.

Bradley centerfielder Nick Mitidiero took the first pitch off Kington deep for the walk-off, 1-0 win for Bradley. The win was only Bradley's second conference victory this season and snapped SIU's three-game conference win streak.

The pitching duel continued Saturday as SIU's junior left-hander Jimmy Cornell allowed only one run and four hits in seven innings. His counterpart Joe Bircher was equally impressive, allowing just two earned runs and five hits in eight innings.

But with SIU up 2-1 in the eighth inning, Bradley mounted a comeback and was able to scratch

a run off Kington.

The Saluki reliever, who replaced Cornell after his strong outing, gave up a leadoff triple to shortstop Tommy Fitzgerald, who scored on a sacrifice fly to tie the game at two apiece.

But the game went into extra innings, a place with which the Salukis are all too familiar.

Junior Tyler Bullock knocked in junior right fielder Aaron Roberts, who extended his 12 game-hitting streak earlier in the game, to give the Salukis a 3-2 lead. Senior second baseman Scott Elmendorf knocked in pinch runner Chase Sanford later in the inning to give the Salukis a 4-2.

Saluki closer Bryant George retired the side in order in the 11th to improve his record to 3-0 on the year after allowing two hits and a walk in 3.2 scoreless innings.

SIU is now 4-0 in extra-inning games this season. The Salukis have outscored opponents 13-0 in the extra frames.

While Friday and Saturday were pitching clinics, Sunday was more of a hitting clinic put on by the Salukis.

The Salukis pounded Braves starter Justin Ziegler early and often, as they scored five runs, two earned, in his only inning of work as the Salukis won decisively on Sunday 11-1.

Senior right-hander Andrew

Dunn continued his recent dominance on the mound, allowing only one run and four hits in eight innings. The senior has only allowed one run and 10 hits in his last 15 innings of work. Henderson

— Ken Henderson
associate head coach

said the senior has been pounding the strike zone, which is the key to his success.

Although Roberts' 12-game hitting streak was snapped on Sunday, he said all that matters was that the team won.

"I'll gladly sacrifice a hitting streak — as I'm sure anybody else would on this team — to come out of (Peoria) with a series win," Roberts said.

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baseball."**

Saluki Insider

The Boston Celtics defeated the Chicago Bulls 109-99 in Game 7 in one of the most talked-about first round NBA playoff series in history. But where does it rank among the all-time greats?



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The Celtics-Bulls seven-game throwdown is the best non-NBA Finals first-round matchup. The series featured the drama of several heart-pounding overtime periods, countless displays of dazzling arrays of offense and even some Wrestlemania-style stunts by Rajon Rondo. The only thing missing was Marv Albert, Ahmad Rashad and that classic NBA-on-NBC intro music.

As far as nail-biting, hair-pulling, arm-flailing intrigue, the series was clearly tops. But the Bulls lost to a team without its best player, so I have a difficult time classifying it among the top series even in Bulls history. It doesn't compare to Jordan over Craig Ehlo and the Cavs, Pippen informing the public that the Mailman doesn't deliver on Sundays, or even Ben Gordon's antics against the defending champion Heat two years ago. But it was a great watch that will ensure the UC is even more packed next season.

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The series was, without a doubt, one of the best ever. I don't watch a lot of basketball, so I can say it was the best series I have ever seen. It felt like we were getting an eight-game series for the price of seven. It was pretty darn cool. A shame the Bulls could not pull it off, but you still have to be pretty happy with how hard they fought. It gives me hope for next year.

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Saluki third baseman Katie Wagner throws the ball to first base during their game against Evansville April 23. SIU took two of three from Indiana State, clinching the second seed in the upcoming Missouri Valley Conference Tournament.

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SOFTBALL

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Blaylock said Glosson took a step forward after issuing a challenge to the sophomore hurler.

"I challenged her and told her that I wanted her to work not only for this year but also getting ready for next year, and she did," Blaylock said.

SIU's next challenge comes in the form of the MVC Tournament, hosted by Bradley in Peoria. The Salukis enter the tournament as the No. 2 seed after finishing behind three-time defending conference

champion Creighton.

Blaylock said the key to winning the conference tourney and picking up the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament was to play at a consistent level at the plate and in the circle.

"They're excited and believe they can do it," Blaylock said of the team's confidence level going into the tournament. "They understand they can play and so we're ready to go up there and give it a good effort."

"You just have to go play as a normal game, just like you've been playing."

TATUM

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Cameron Smith was among the volunteer helpers at the camp and said he wishes he could have been a part of last year's camp as well. Smith said he missed out because of a prior obligation, but made sure his schedule was clear for the camp's second go-around.

Smith said he was impressed with

the number of Tatum's former teammates that came out in support of the camp, as Smith said it showed the kind of quality players Chris Lowery brought to the team on the court, as well as off it.

"I think it says a lot about the kind of guys that Coach Lowery brings in," Smith said. "He makes sure that we're not just teammates, but also brothers."



Saluki guard Bryan Mullins helps teach offense and defense tactics to a group of young basketball players during the second annual Jamaal Tatum's Pro Basketball Clinic Saturday at the Recreation Center.

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SOFTBALL

Salukis slide by Sycamores, shift focus to tournament

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After falling victim to a desperate Indiana State team in the first game of the final regular season series of the year, the SIU softball team bounced back to take the final two games by matching the Sycamores' intensity.

With its back against the wall,

fighting and clawing in an attempt to be the last team in the Missouri Valley Conference tournament, the Sycamores knocked off the Salukis 4-3 in 11 innings in the first game of a doubleheader on Saturday.

"The reason Indiana State won is because they were fighting for their life to get into the conference tournament, and they played like it," head coach Kerri Blaylock said in a

phone interview.

After the loss, SIU bounced back behind the talented arms of sophomores Nikki Waters and Danielle Glosson, whose victories on Saturday and Sunday, respectively, helped secure the No. 2 seed in the MVC Tourney, which starts Friday in Peoria.

Waters picked up her 15th win of the season on Saturday as SIU snuck past Indiana State in the sec-

ond game of the doubleheader, 4-2. The Saluki sophomore allowed two runs while scattering four hits in her 11th complete game of the year as she continued her domination of MVC foes.

In 12 appearances against Valley teams, Waters owns a 9-0 record to go along with a team-best 1.27 earned run average.

In Sunday's rubber game, Glosson

delivered an equally dominating performance, as she struck out six batters in her seventh complete-game outing of the season, which resulted in a 3-1 Saluki victory.

Glosson finished the regular season with a 9-6 record, a team-high 114 strikeouts while limiting opposing hitters to a .208 batting average.

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Tatum returns to reach out and teach

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Jamaal Tatum's aspirations of reaching the NBA took a backseat Saturday to fulfilling the dreams of youngsters in the Carbondale community.

Tatum, a three-year starter at SIU and 2007 Missouri Valley Conference Player of the Year, returned to Carbondale Saturday to host the second annual Jamaal Tatum Pro Basketball Clinic, which took place Saturday at the Recreation Center.

The Jefferson City, Mo., native has been hampered by injuries in his pro career and said he is working hard as he continues to make an effort to play basketball at the next level.

"I feel like last season I played really well. I worked hard," Tatum said. "My goal now is to be able to stay on a roster and play in the NBA."

Last season, Tatum played for the Idaho Stampede of the Association's Developmental League where he averaged 11.8 points per game.

Tatum said his time as a Saluki really helped his work ethic. In his four-year career, Tatum was a part of four conference title winners, including the team's last MVC Tournament championship in 2005. He was also was one of



Former Saluki basketball player Jamaal Tatum high-fives young players during the second annual Jamaal Tatum's Pro Basketball Clinic Saturday at the Recreation Center.

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the team's senior leaders on the 2007 Sweet Sixteen squad.

Tatum put aside his NBA training to give back to the southern Illinois community he grew fond of during his time at SIU.

He said it made him feel good to give back to the community

that gave him so much while he donned the Saluki maroon.

Roughly 50 children were separated into groups and participated in offensive and defensive drills at various stations. At the final stop, the children were able to get some one-on-one time with the former

Saluki great.

Tatum treated each child as an individual. For some he would jokingly block, and for others, he would lift them to get a better shot at the basket.

Darren Brooks, a two-time Valley Player of the Year award

recipient, was one of several former Salukis aiding Tatum at his camp.

"The highlight of this whole day is seeing the kids smile," Brooks said.

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TRACK AND FIELD

SIU adds 10 regional qualifiers as MVC tournament approaches

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With less than two weeks before the conference championship, the SIU track and field team added 10 qualifiers for regional competition.

The team competed at the Jesse Owens Classic in Columbus, Ohio, against teams such as Penn State, Ohio State and Michigan. It was the team's final meet before the Missouri Valley Conference Championship, which begins May 14.

Freshman Cody Doerflein said the entire season has been building

up to the conference.

"This is what we have been preparing for all year," Doerflein said. "You have to make the next couple of weeks worth it."

Head coach Connie Price-Smith said the performance at the meet this weekend sets the track and field team up to do well at the MVC championships. She said the meet had a lot of tough Big Ten competition, which will help the Salukis when it comes to MVC play.

"It's not the same level of competition," Price-Smith said. "The better we can do against the teams

here, the better we can do at the MVC Championships."

The Salukis had 27 top-15 performances, but only Bianca Stuart took home a meet title. The senior had a 6.42 meters leap in the long jump, which was also a regional mark.

"It was a great feeling," Stuart said. "It was my third meet jumping. I had foul problems, but at least I got one jump off and it was good."

Stuart fouled 5 of the 6 attempts on the jump. The one that counted won her the title.

Stuart said her main focus for

the MVC Championship is her approach. She said she fouled too frequently and if she could eliminate those, she would be able to perform better. She said her performance wasn't the only good one.

"I think everyone did well. We have all been preparing since the beginning of outdoor season," Stuart said. "Now everyone is getting ready for conference."

Getting ready for conference is something Doerflein did.

Doerflein finished in third with a regional qualifying mark in the pole vault. He cleared 5.05 meters,

which was a personal record.

"I didn't do too bad. A personal record is a good day," Doerflein said. "There were favorable weather conditions, but overall I think I did pretty well."

Doerflein agreed with Stuart that everyone performed well as a team. He said the big schools that SIU competed against did not intimidate him.

"We compete against big schools every weekend, it's nothing new," Doerflein said. "We bring the same stuff against the bigger schools that we do against the smaller ones."